

## House Resolution No. 1419

**Whereas**, it is with genuine pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to express a warm, Show-Me State welcome to esteemed visitors to the state of Missouri and its centrally located state capital; and

**Whereas**, Benjamin J. Stein of Los Angeles, California, has attained considerable distinction as an author, lawyer, actor, and comedian who is currently active in pro-animal and pro-life charities; and

**Whereas**, on April 2, 2008, Benjamin Stein will visit the Missouri state capitol to discuss the principles that will be disclosed in his new movie Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed; and

**Whereas**, a graduate of Columbia University and valedictorian of his graduating class at Yale Law School, Benjamin Stein has worked for the Department of Commerce and the Federal Trade Commission, as a poverty lawyer, and as a law professor; and

**Whereas**, Benjamin Stein has written, cowritten, and published thirty books and has served as a columnist and advisor for several business publications and media outlets; and

**Whereas**, in addition to his well-known roles as an actor in movies and Emmy award-winning television shows, Benjamin Stein served as a speechwriter for Presidents Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford; and

**Whereas**, Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed investigates the origins of the universe with the intent to encourage intellectual diversity and academic freedom in the fields of education and scientific research; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should recognize such outstanding American cultural icons as Benjamin Stein at momentous times in their lives:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to convey a warm welcome to the Missouri capitol to Benjamin Stein and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success as an author, lawyer, actor, and comedian; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Benjamin J. Stein of Los Angeles, California.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jane Cunningham  
District No. 86

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 1419, adopted April 1, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker